



West Des Moines Human Services 2016 Holiday Giving Opportunities

You can brighten someone's life this holiday season by assisting a low-income family through the West Des Moines Human Services **Holiday Assistance Program**. West Des Moines Human Services has been helping residents in need since 1979. As a department with the City of West Des Moines, we are a non-profit agency that provides necessary assistance to low-income, elderly and disabled individuals in our service area. We rely on donations and the generosity of sponsors to provide holiday assistance. The households we serve are surviving on limited incomes and struggle to afford the most basic necessities. Most are faced with hardships that make it difficult to enjoy the holiday season.

YOU can make a difference! Please consider providing assistance in any of the following ways:

- ♥ Provide a **GROCERY GIFT CARD** for food from a local grocery provider to assist a low-income family.
- ♥ **ADOPT-A-FAMILY** for the holidays by providing gifts for the children in the household. Your gifts may be delivered directly to the family, or you may deliver your gifts to the West Des Moines Human Services office.
- ♥ **TOYLAND** - Provide **NEW TOYS/GIFTS, OR GIFT CARDS FOR KIDS** (newborn through 18 years of age) to support our annual Toyland program. Toyland is available to families who are not sponsored through the Adopt-A-Family program.
- ♥ Make a **MONETARY DONATION** to assist the department in helping those less fortunate during the holiday season and throughout the year.



Working together, we can brighten the holiday season for many in our own community. If you would like to help, please complete and return the **Holiday Sponsor Form**. If you choose to adopt a family, you will be matched with a family and information will be forwarded soon.

For additional information, please visit our website at www.wdm.iowa.gov/holidaygivingopportunities or contact Mindy Hotovec: Melinda.Hotovec@wdm.iowa.gov or 515-222-3663.

Thank you for your partnership and continued support of West Des Moines Human Services. Please join us in making this a happy holiday for all.

